

AGRICULTURAL.

MUSHROOMS EAST TO GROW.

It is a little singular, to put it mildly, that such a delicacy as the mushroom, one that is such a general favorite, should not be more generally cultivated—rather grown, as it needs no cultivation—so plentifully that every owner of a pasture lot or moderate sized lawn can have sufficient for family use when first gathered and for pickling and canning for winter's use.

The method of planting is simple and may be performed as follows: Take a spade and lift the sod just sufficient to get the spawn under it; then let drop back to its place and press it down firmly, so that the lawn will not show signs of any disturbance.

The spawn should not be put in until about July 1, when the ground is warm and dry; if put in earlier it is liable to rot. The distance apart of the planting will depend upon circumstances; if there is plenty of room, as in the pasture lot, 6 to 8 feet apart would be better.

PACKING BUTTER IN BRINE.

Last season we packed our surplus butter on the following plan and found when we sold in December, when the butter was unpacked for sale, it came out just as fresh and well tasted as it was when packed.

Bought new pork barrels, scalded them out thoroughly with boiling water three different times, the last time covered the barrel with a cloth to keep in the steam. Let stand until the water cools, then rinse out the barrel with cold water, and the barrel is ready for use.

DAIRY COWS.

In selecting a dairy cow, the question is generally asked, how much milk does she give per day; but the more important one, "how long does she continue to give that amount," is not always added.

TOMATO ROT.

A subscriber wants to know what is the cause of tomato rot. He says "the season has been unprecedentedly dry." That accounts for the whole trouble.

AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

Give the birds you want to fatten plenty of charcoal. Now is the time to feed it to turkeys.

Fifteen million gallons of cotton seed oil were used last year in manufacturing "refined lard."

Eleven of the eighteen presidents of the United States elected by the people were sons of farmers.

In teaching a young horse to back give him the advantage of a down grade until he has learned what is required of him.

It is the verdict everywhere that creamery

to stimulate farmers to keep more and better cows, Mr. Hale says in the "Connecticut Courant."

No branch of farming is more profitable or conducted with less labor than orcharding when the products can be sold even at a moderate price. Besides this, apple-trees may be planted on land too rough for root or grain culture, and high altitudes are more exempt from killing by frost than orchards in the valleys or lowlands.

Feed your horses regularly three times daily, but never over-feed. Water before feeding, but not while the horse is hot from work. Use the whip very little, and never when the animal shies or stumbles.

The advice on the apple crop from Lockport, N. Y., are: The thousands of barrels of apples lying ready for shipment in the buying centres of the great sections of New York State are beginning to move toward the Western markets.

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Pearls of Truth.

The best kind of glory is that which is reflected from honesty.

The one prudence in life is concentration; the one evil is dissipation.

There is nothing more troublesome to a good mind than to do nothing. Of all the created comforts, God is the lender; you are the borrower, not the owner.

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The wealth of man is the number of things which he loves and blesses, which he is loved and blessed by. Our happiness, as thinking beings, must depend on our being content to accept only partial knowledge.

The way to cure our prejudices is this—that every man should let alone those that he complains of in others, and examine his own. Hold fast by the present! Every situation—nay, every moment—is of infinite value, for it is the representative of a whole eternity.

The ideal life, the life of full completions, haunts us all. We feel the thing we ought to be beating beneath the thing we are. Every widespread error contains a concealed truth. That is the point on which we must fasten if we wish to overthrow the error.

They who call themselves men of the world, and pride themselves accordingly upon their knowledge, are of all men those who know least of human nature.

The grandest attribute of our created minds, one that belongs to no other finite creature whatever, is that they have the gift of a growth everlasting.

Blessed is the man who has the gift of making friends. It involves many things; but, above all, the power of going out of one's self, and seeing and approaching whatever is noble and living in another man.

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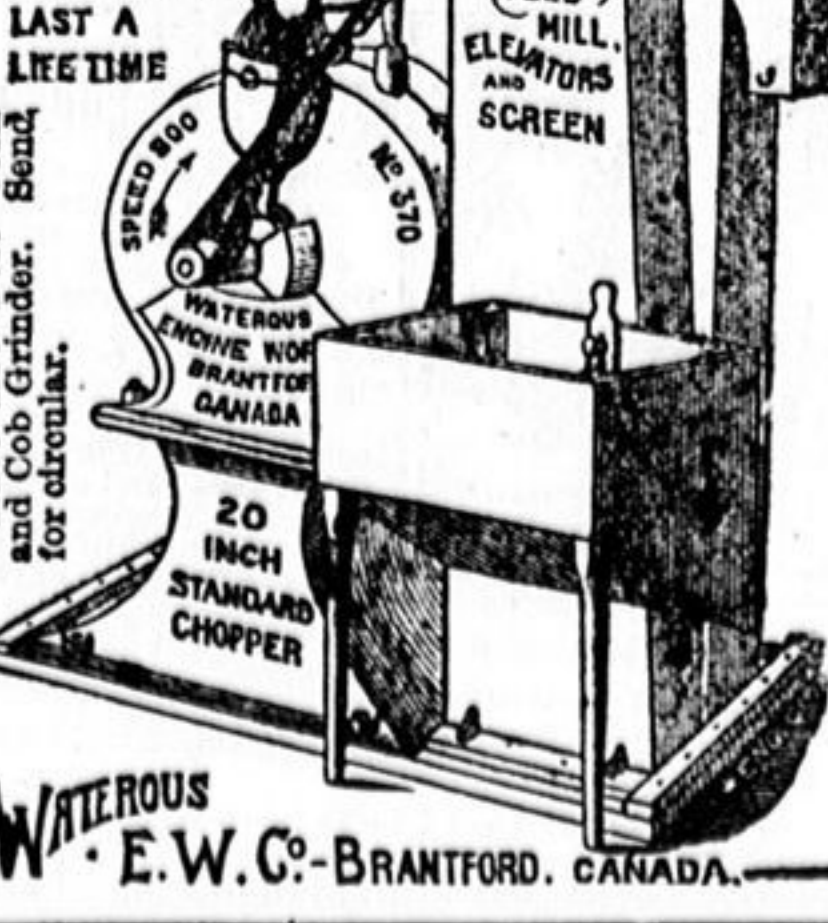
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